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The Harriman Expansion.

Judging by the history of past development of the Harriman railroad system, there is every reason to anticipate confirmation of the report that the Union Pacific has secured control of the Baltimore and Ohio and Pennsylvania and Reading. Mr. Harriman's policy is expansion, his resources are seemingly unlimited, and there is no apparent reason in law why he should not control these properties.

Control of the Baltimore and Ohio by Pennsylvania was a violation of the anti-trust principle maintained in the Northern Securities case. The Baltimore and Ohio and Pennsylvania are parallel and competing lines. The Union Pacific is not parallel to or competing with the Baltimore and Ohio or the Reading. The consolidation of Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Alton, Baltimore and Ohio, and Reading, places Mr. Harriman not only in control of a complete transcontinental route, but in domination of the greatest system in the world. In mileage he will surpass the Rock Island, and in value his united properties will overshadow it.

Mr. Harriman is the Jay Gould of present-day finance and transportation. But he is more than this. He has the skill in manipulation and the audacity in methods that made Gould great, but in addition he has certain constructive organizing faculties that marked the first two great heads of the house of Vanderbilt. Harriman is a builder; Gould was a wrecker.

There is no limit to which Harriman may not go with his railroad expansion, unless that limit be set by the law. The financial problem he has solved. The holden company method of finance is Harriman's own. If he wants to buy a new railroad, he has the credit to float collateral trust bonds of one of the big corporations he already controls. This method of expansion can be carried on indefinitely without weakening his control. The investing public puts up the money, but leaves him in complete authority.

It is all a mistake to assume that Harriman owns control of his system, or that Gould does of his, or that the Vanderbilts do of theirs. James J. Hill is the only man credited with personally owning a majority of the stock of a great road, and it is doubtful if this is true. Even if it be true, he doesn't pretend to own the control of the bonds. The great investing public owns the roads; these giants of finance are trustees for their operation and management.

Nine Miles of Conscience.

A Colorado man has been found who believes in upholding the sanctity of the Sabbath at the expense of his bank account. In the East, such an instance would not be looked upon as remarkable or exceptional, but "the wide-open West," as some people delight in terming it, was supposed to have stifled long ago its last lingering scruple against business or pleasure on the Lord's day.

This particular Colorado man owns absolutely the Argentine Central railway. The name is misleading. It is not a South American trunk line. It is just nine miles long, cost \$450,000, and extends from Silver Plume to Gray's Peak, on the summit of Mt. McClelland, where it reaches an altitude of 14,000 feet.

It will be seen that the operation of trunk systems and excursion trains between the East and West will not be interfered with by the decision of Edward J. Wilcox not to permit trains to run on Sundays over his road. Moreover, it is a new line, and the record of the first month's earnings are but just made up. He may or may not persist in his determination to operate his property for only six days in the

week. It is his to do with as he sees fit. Therein he is circumstanced differently from some other Western railroad officials, who do as they wish with property which is not their own.

It is too much to ask if Mr. Wilcox makes his employees satisfied and thankful on Sundays by paying them as much for six days' work as he would if they were on duty every day? That's a point worth considering in connection with the Argentine Central railway and its terminus, as altitudinous as the ideals of its millionaire owner.

An Important Arrival.

A woman teacher of court etiquette has arrived in New York. It is her purpose to show American girls how to meet royalty. She is Irish, according to one of the New York newspapers, but that seems improbable, for no true Irish girl would teach her American cousins to meet royalty—and especially British royalty—otherwise than with concentrated scorn and a tip-tilted nose.

This imported teacher of court etiquette rejoices in the name of Ethel Bury-Palliser, which is not even plausible "Scotch-Irish." Moreover, she is a great-granddaughter of Mme. Michau, "who was dancing mistress in the courts of Napoleon I, King George IV and King William IV." That ought to establish her hereditary authority on court etiquette, if it does not fix her race definitely.

A great-aunt of Miss Palliser taught the present King of England and other children of Queen Victoria "how to meet their parents correctly." That is something which American children ought to learn. Shall they treat their parents as social equals? Shall the latter be permitted to be present while the heiress of the family is explaining to a bouquet of her intimates what a "dreadfully lovely time" she had at Bogside Farm during the season just closed?

If Miss Ethel Bury-Palliser, the alleged Milesian apostle of correct deportment, succeeds in preparing and enforcing a schedule of social relationship between children and their parents in this country, the task of teaching children how to meet royalty, at the race track or at Monte Carlo, ought to be comparatively easy.

A Chicago Method.

From Chicago comes an instructive and interesting tale of the manner in which an earnest police captain went to work in order to obtain promotion. He had no idea of fulfilling the Washington test, which calls for politeness, cleanliness, and agility, but he believed that by proving his capacity as a thief-taker advancement would be forthcoming without delay.

Knowing that it was utterly impossible to capture a thief, robber, or burglar without prior arrangements for the capture, he decided to make a straightforward business undertaking of the affair. A burglar was procured, who agreed to tackle a jewelry store, and later to permit the spoils to be returned as proof of the police official's keenness and ability.

Everything took place as planned, although the man whose store was visited stated on the witness stand that jewelry amounting to about \$1,400 did not reach him again. That, however, may have been the usual Chicago commission for returns. Otherwise the plot worked like a charm, the police captain was promoted, and it was left for police politics to expose the plot and put the promoted official on trial under charges preferred by the chief.

This method cannot be conscientiously recommended to Washington policemen who wish more responsibility and pay. But the Chicago case is interesting as showing that now and then, by unusual arrangement and contract, it is possible in that city to recover stolen property.

Secretary Shaw and Mr. Bryan will yet make this campaign worth while if they are given a little encouragement.

The Cuban insurgents are cutting their cables with a zest which suggests that they are especially anxious not to hear the pacific message from Oyster Bay.

Mr. Bryan's home State is getting ready to go Democratic. They've just had floods and rains that have tremendously damaged the crops.

A Russian dignitary who can succeed in dying of a broken heart must certainly be a skillful dodger.

LONDON'S MANY CHURCHES.

Within the narrow limits of the city of London, with its mere handful of residents—only sufficient to people a small provincial town—there are still so many churches that you might worship in a different one every Sunday of the year without putting foot inside them all. Within the rural domain of the east city there are today no fewer than ten churches, each of which ministers to a population of less than two hundred; the aggregate number of parishioners is 1,753, while the churches have accommodation for 2,700, thus providing almost two seats for every possible worshiper, including the infants in arms.

IN THE CIRCLE OF SOCIETY

COCKTAIL MANSION

LEASED BY BACON

Now Occupied by Family of Secretary of State Root.

MAKES CHANGE OCTOBER 1

Mr. Root Will in Turn Move Into Residence of Ex-Secretary Morton.

Assistant Secretary of State Robert L. Bacon has leased the residence of Representative Bourke Cockran, at 1333 Sixteenth street, now occupied by the Secretary of State and Mrs. Root, who will leave it the first of next month and will take up their residence in the house belonging to ex-Vice President Levi F. Morton.

Assistant Secretary Bacon took the Quay residence in K street, which was under lease to ex-Secretary of the Navy Paul Morton, at the time of his retirement from the cabinet, and last season it was the center of much sociability. They will not make the change from their K street residence until after the first of October, when Mrs. Root will come to Washington to superintend the removal of her effects from Representative Cockran's residence to the Morton house.

Ambassador Durand has again shown his great interest in athletics in this country by offering a silver cup as trophy for an eighteen-hole medal play handicap tournament at the Lenox Golf Club Friday, Sir Henry Mortimer Durand donated a number of prizes each year for purposes of this kind, and with the St. James' minister, is the most interested diplomat in Washington, in American sports.

The Ambassador and Lady Durand entertained Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Blais, Jr., of New York, who are stopping at the Aspinwall, Lenox, for a short time. Mrs. Blais was formerly Miss Zaidée Cobb, of Washington.

Henry Ives Cobb, Jr., of New York, whose marriage to Miss Carolyn Postlethwaite, of this city, will take place at St. John's Church, October 2, at 4 o'clock, will give his bachelor dinner at the Harvard Club, in his home city, a few days before his wedding. His brother, Cleveland Cobb, will be his best man, and the ushers selected are Candler Cobb, also a brother; Blair Fairchild, Wendell P. Blagden, Julien L. Peabody, Franklin Abbott, Maxmilian Tilden, Jr., W. P. Woodcut, all of New York, and Daniel W. B., of St. Louis.

Miss Postlethwaite will have as maid of honor, Miss Leonor Cobb, of New York, sister of the bridegroom-elect, and as bridesmaids, Miss Ethel Seckendorf, daughter of Count Seckendorf, whose marriage will take place late this fall; Miss Grace Bell, Miss Alice Parker, Miss Carolyn Huff and Miss Edith Sanger, all of Washington; Miss Janet Fish, of New York; Miss Ingall, of Cincinnati, and Miss Constance Benn, of Boston.

A general color scheme of white and green will be carried out both in the costumes of the bride's attendants and at the church, and Mrs. Postlethwaite's residence.

After the wedding, Mr. Cobb will take his bride to Europe, and they will spend the winter in Paris.

Commissioner of the Isthmian Canal Commission and Mrs. Theodore P. Shonts have leased for the coming season 1353 New Hampshire avenue, the residence occupied last winter by Representative and Mrs. Van Vechten Olcott, of New York. Mr. Shonts and his daughters will shortly arrive in Washington from Europe, where they have spent the past year, and will take possession of the residence in New Hampshire avenue this last of October.

Representative and Mrs. Olcott will build a residence in Washington and will probably become permanent winter residents.

Mrs. Matthew S. Quay, wife of the late Senator from Pennsylvania, will spend the winter in Washington, and will occupy her residence in K street just opposite Secretary Taft's home, which is being vacated by Assistant Secretary Bacon. Her daughters will be with her.

Mrs. Lorraine L. Hack announces the marriage of her daughter, Grace, to Donald Houston Parmelee, at her residence, 306 Florida avenue northwest, yesterday at 4 p. m., by the Rev. E. B. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Parmelee will be at home to friends after September 25, at the above address.

Dr. and Mrs. L. Fleet Luckett have returned to the city.

Walter C. Ireby, of the Postoffice Department, and his bride, are spending their honeymoon at a farm near Laws, Warren county, Va.

Mrs. Sara Cameron Johnson, who has been spending the summer at her country place, Cameron Hall, Fauquier county, Va., and the past month has been at Ocean City, N. J., has returned to the city, where she will spend the winter with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Oldberg, at the latter's country place on the Chevy Chase road.

Miss Anna McGrath, of Arton House, Thirteenth and Massachusetts avenue, spent the week's end in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carver, of Washington, arrived at the Mt. Pleasant, in the Bretton Woods, N. H., Saturday, and will remain there for some days.

Mrs. James S. Cole, whose marriage took place in this city June 6, is in town for a week or ten days as the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pakouze.

Mrs. Charles Freidlander and sons have returned to their home on U street, after spending the summer with relatives at Newport News, Va.

Samuel Hart and Sol Lashburgh have returned to their homes after spending the past week in New York city.

Henry Weyl has left town for New York city and Chicago.

David F. Eisenman has returned to his home after an enjoyable visit to his old home in Birau, Germany.

Fourth Presbyterian Church Scene of Wedding at Which Miss Ethel Ourand Becomes Bride of Edmund W. Whitehead.

The Fourth Presbyterian Church, on Columbia Heights, was the scene of a pretty wedding today at noon, when Miss Ethel Ourand, only daughter of Mrs. Rachel E. Ourand, 1457 S. Street northwest, became the bride of Edmund W. Whitehead.

The church was prettily decorated for the occasion with palms and white blossoms, and the bride, who was unattended, wore a beautiful princess lace robe over silk, and a becoming white picture hat trimmed with long white ostrich plumes. Her bouquet was a shower of lilies of the valley and bride roses.

Charles H. Ourand and Walter Handy acted as ushers, and preceded the bride party to the church, where the ceremony was performed by the pastor, the Rev. Joseph T. Kelly.

Mrs. Rachel E. Ourand, the bride's mother, wore a handsome gown of black net over tulle, and a stylish black hat of chenille and jet, and trimmed with black ostrich plumes.

After the ceremony at the church, Mr. and Mrs. Whitehead left Washington for a Southern wedding tour, Mrs. Whitehead wearing a stylish traveling suit of blue messaline silk and a blue hat.

Later they will make their home with Mrs. Whitehead's mother, at 1457 S. Street northwest.

A wedding of interest to Washington people took place Saturday evening at 7 o'clock in Trinity Episcopal Church, Manassas, Va., when Miss Jeanie Shields Herrell, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. James Edward Herrell, and Walter Fullerton Bowen, of Brookland, D. C., were married by the Rev. John McGill.

The church was tastefully decorated with goldenrod, candles, and yellow shades, and the wedding music was played by Miss Julia Lewis, of Manassas.

Miss Herrell, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of hand-embroidered white messaline with pearl ornaments, and instead of a veil wore a coronet of lilies of the valley in her hair. She carried a whitebound prayerbook instead of the usual bouquet.

The attendants were Miss Elizabeth Herrell, maid of honor, and Miss Anna Taylor, Miss Carrie Makely, Miss Selma Taylor, and Miss Estelle Holden, bridesmaids. The maid of honor wore a white mull with a golden yellow sash and a yellow in her hair, and carried yellow chrysanthemums, and the bridesmaids wore similar frocks and carried goldenrod.

Michael Stephan, of Baltimore, acted as best man, and the ushers were George Purcell, Robert Herrell, Clarence Fathall, and H. H. Hinzler. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, and later Mr. and Mrs. Bowen left for a Canadian wedding tour. When they return they will be accompanied by Mrs. Bowen, Mrs. Horner Malone, and the Misses Makely, of Alexandria.

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